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**2000 CENSUS DATA FOR REDISTRICTING AVAILABLE FROM
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After each national Census, which occurs every 10 years, the California State Assembly, in conjunction with the California State Senate, draws new districts for the State Assembly, State Senate, Board of Equalization and Congress to take into account population changes. As part of the 2001 redistricting process, the State Assembly and the State Senate have funded a project conducted by the University of California at Berkeley, Institute of Governmental Studies, to make data from the 2000 Census and other information relevant to the redistricting process available to the public at a nominal cost.

As of May 1, 2001, the public may obtain access to this data at <http://swdb.berkeley.edu>. It is recommended that individuals, organizations or groups wishing to submit plans to the Assembly Elections, Reapportionment and Constitutional Amendments Committee use these redistricting data files provided by the Institute of Governmental Studies, and also recommended that individuals, organizations or groups submitting plans to the Committee consider using specially designed redistricting software to generate their plan or plans. Software vendors whose products are capable of producing data files that may be used to form the basis of a plan or plans for electronic submission to the Committee will be listed on the Committee web site at <http://www.assembly.ca.gov/erca>.